

ALLIES CLAIM TO HAVE REPULSED GERMAN ATTACK; BERLIN REPORTS KAISER'S ARMY SLOWLY ADVANCING

RUSSIANS TO TAKE BERLIN SAYS CHIEF

Forces of Czar Will Capture Ger-
man Capital Declares Min-
ister of War

ALLIES ASSIGN TASK

Will Make No Attempt to Pro-
ceed Either to Budapest
or Vienna

Petrograd, Sept. 18.—Discussing the
general situation today, Minister of
War Sukhomlinoff declared:

"The Russian army is going to cap-
ture Berlin. That is the task assign-
ed to it by the allies in the present
war. The entire strength of the Rus-
sians will be used to this purpose. We
have been compelled to remove the
Austrians as a source of danger, but
we have not planned any general in-
vasion of Hungary or any attempt to
take either Budapest or Vienna. The
Austrian army is crushed. Its losses
in killed, wounded and prisoners ex-
ceed 250,000. They have lost a great
part of their artillery. The position
of the remnants of their army is pre-
carious and its surrender would be no
surprise. On the other hand the spirit
of the Russian troops was never bet-
ter and they are ready to press for-
ward without further delay."

"Russia is administering the cap-
tured territory, but it will not forcibly
annex any of Austria's territory. Questions
of that sort must be left
until the war is over."

Closing In On Austrians.

Petrograd, Sept. 18.—With Russian
troops closing in on the strong Russian
fortress of Przemyśl and the fortified
positions along the San to Jaroslav;
and with Grodek and Mieseska already
occupied by the czar's troops, it was
announced at army headquarters that
the main objective of the Russian
Austrian campaign is rapidly coming
to a successful conclusion.

Strong detachments of Cossack cav-
alry are reported to have penetrated
to the westward of the San river for-
tifications and to have reached as far
as Jaslo.

This indicates that the advance
against Cracow is not to wait on the
result of the operations along the San,
but will be pushed independently, while
the San river positions are enveloped
by a superior force.

Try To Break Through.

The Austrian force that has been cut
off in the triangle formed by the
junction of the Vistula and the San is
reported attempting to break
through the cordon that now sur-
rounds it, but it is believed certain
here that it must soon surrender.

It was officially announced that
in the capture of Grodek the Austrians
lost 400 light field guns and 20 Howitz-
ers.

Horrible Scenes Described.

London, Sept. 18.—"The newspaper
correspondents describe horrible
scenes on the battlefields abandoned
by the Austro-German forces last
week," says the Morning Post's Petro-
grad correspondent.

"Streams, they say, were choked
with slain men until the waters were
jammed and overflowing the banks.
Piles of dead are awaiting burial or
burning. Hundreds of acres are strewn
with bodies and littered with weapons
and battle debris, while wounded and
ridersless horses are careering madly
over the abandoned country."

ROBBERS BIND AND GAG
TWO WOMEN AND TAKE
\$60,000 WORTH JEWELRY

Kankakee, Ill., Sept. 18.—Five
masked robbers early today bound and
gagged Mrs. Nellie Clark and her com-
panion, Margerie Miller, in the for-
mer's home, and escaped with dia-
monds and other jewelry, valued at
\$60,000. They escaped in an automo-
bile.

It is believed a posse has surround-
ed the robbers in a cornfield.

IF THE KAISER'S ARTIST PAINTS REAL WAR



The Kaiser has commissioned a famous artist to go to the front and paint battle scenes in oil.

PEACE DEPENDS ON ATTITUDE OF GERMANY'S FOES

Fatherland Cannot Be Crushed
Says Kaiser's Ambassador

New York, Sept. 18.—Count Von
Bernstorff, the German ambassador,
discussed today the prospect of peace
in Europe and the efforts of President
Wilson to bring it about.

"The talk of peace was started by
the people of the United States," he
said. "It is contumacious after the an-
swer sent by the German government
depends upon the attitude of the al-
lies."

"As long as they talk of crushing
and dismembering Germany there is
absolutely no possibility of peace. I
am quoting Premier Asquith and other
Englishmen."

"I have no idea that Germany could
be crushed or dismembered. No last-
ing peace is possible if a square inch
of Germany or its colonies is given
up."

Little Prospect of Peace.

Washington, Sept. 18.—It is learned
at the white house that President
Wilson sees little prospect of peace
in Europe, reflected in the national ex-
change which American ambassadors
have been conducting with Germany,
Great Britain and France.

Britons Resist Peace Talk.

London, Sept. 18.—Preliminary talk
of peace seems to be resented by the
British public. Editorial articles al-
ready are appearing saying that peace
is out of the question until "the men-
ace of German militarism" is crushed.

Suggest Inquiry to Allies.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Germany has
suggested informally that the United
States should undertake to elicit from
Great Britain, France and Russia a
statement of the terms under which
the allies would make peace.

The suggestion was made by the im-
perial chancellor, Von Bethmann-Hol-
weg, to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin
as a result of an inquiry sent by the
American government to learn whether
Emperor William was desirous of
discussing peace, as Count von Bern-
storff, the German ambassador, and
Oscar Straus recently had reported.

Alaska last year shipped to the
United States gold bullion valued at
\$14,576,915.

U. S. HAS RIGHT TO USE FORCE TO UPHOLD NATION'S NEUTRALITY

Washington, Sept. 18.—Cen-
sorship of wireless messages is
legal, and the government has
the right even to use the armed
forces of the United States to
preserve neutrality, according
to the opinion of Attorney
General Gregory received by
Secretary Daniels.

CANADIAN STEAMER SUNK; FOURTEEN LIVES ARE LOST

Quebec, Sept. 18.—The black diamond
collier Lagan rammed and sunk the
government steamer Montigny at 5
o'clock this morning during a fog be-
low Crane island in the St. Lawrence
river.

Fourteen persons, members of the
Montigny's crew, and of the families
of two light house keepers aboard the
Montigny, lost their lives.

Second Officer Lachance of the Mont-
igny perished with two children in
his arms, after a heroic attempt to
rescue them.

WILSON DECLINES TO HEAR ANY ARGUMENTS ON WAR

Washington, Sept. 18.—President
Wilson today declined to receive Hor-
ace Brand, of Chicago, who came to
present messages from several orga-
nizations protesting against the charges
of atrocities made by the Belgian com-
mission against the German army.
The president took the position that
he had already refused to permit na-
tives of other belligerent countries liv-
ing in the United States to discuss the
war with him. He planned to write a
letter to Brand, explaining his recent
statement of neutrality addressed to
the American people.

BLOODHOUNDS PUT ON TRAIL OF TRAIN WRECKERS

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 18.—Blood-
hounds have been sent to Livingston,
Alabama, where six persons were killed
as the result of the derailing of an
Alabama and Great Southern passen-
ger train. It is believed a switch was
tampered with.

WILSON TO BE ENDORSED FOR SECOND TERM

Illinois Democrats Meet—Bull
Moose and G.O.P. Also Convene

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 18.—The in-
dorsement of President Wilson for a
second term is expected to be made at
the Democratic state convention to-
day, which promised to be the most
harmonious in years. Speeches were
scheduled by Roger Sullivan, candi-
date for United States senator, Gov-
ernor Dunne and Congressman Rainey,
the latter temporary chairman.

Accepting the permanent chairman-
ship of the convention Governor Dunne
pointed to the accomplishments of the
national administration, saying of its
attitude toward Mexico:

"It has given the finest exhibition of
national restraint under provocation
that the world has ever seen."

Speaking of the peace treaties he
referred to Bryan as "Our great sec-
retary of state."

The Progressive Platform.

Champaign, Ill., Sept. 18.—The Illi-
nois Progressives held a second state
convention today to adopt a platform
which it was predicted would contain
a constitutional convention plank as
one of its chief issues. Medley McCor-
mick, scheduled as temporary chair-
man, was prepared to reflect the views
of Roosevelt. Full woman's suffrage,
initiative and referendum, short ballot
and criticism of the Democratic ad-
ministrations in nation and state were
among the issues. Thirty-six women

6,000,000 HORSESHOES
ORDERED IN U. S. FOR
FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

Pittsburgh, Sept. 8.—Six mil-
lion horseshoes, packed in one
hundred cars, are being pre-
pared in Pittsburgh mills for
shipment next week to France
and Russia. They will be ac-
companied by a corresponding
consignment of horseshoe nails
and toe pieces. A large con-
signment also is being prepared
for Austria.

NEWS FROM THE BATTLE FRONT IS MEAGRE BUT IT IS APPARENT NEITHER SIDE HAS GAINED ANY DECIDED ADVANTAGE AS YET

HOME RULE BILL SIGNED BY THE KING

Both Houses of the British Par-
liament Are Prorogued Un-
til October 27

DISPLAY ENTHUSIASM

No Peace in Europe Until "Wor-
thy Purpose" Is Achieved
Says King

London, Sept. 18.—King George to-
day signed the home rule bill, which
thus gains a place on the statute
books.

Enthusiasm was displayed today
when both houses of Parliament were
prorogued until October 27.

King George was absent, inspecting
troops, and his speech was read in the
House of Lords by Viscount Haldane
and in the Commons by Deputy Speak-
er Whitely.

The announcement in the House of
Lords that royal assent had been given
to the Irish home rule and Welsh dis-
establishment suspensory bills was
cheered.

The announcement in the House of
Commons of the passing of home rule
was loudly cheered by the Liberals
and Nationalists.

In his speech proroguing Parliament
the king said:

"We are fighting for a worthy pur-
pose and shall not lay down our
arms until that purpose is fully
achieved."

95,000 PRISONERS HELD NEAR BERLIN SAYS CHICAGO MAN

New York, Sept. 18.—August Pfaff
of Chicago arrived today on the Credic.
He was in Berlin for two weeks. Thirty-
three miles from Berlin he said there
were 90,000 Russian and 5,000 English
prisoners. The Russian and Belgian
officers were kept together for a time,
but as a result of fight, in which sev-
eral Belgian officers were killed, they
were separated.

LINER LUSITANIA MAY TAKE CANADIAN TROOPS

New York, Sept. 18.—The Canarder
Lusitania arrived from Liverpool today
with 1,500 passengers, the majority
Americans. Some of the passengers
said the Lusitania will go to Canada
to take troops to England.

are entitled to seats in the conven-
tion.

Republicans Seek Harmony.

Peoria, Ill., Sept. 18.—The elimina-
tion of friction between opposing fac-
tions was the chief concern among
the thousand Republicans here for the Illi-
nois state convention. Among the
arrivals last night were Senator Sher-
man, former Governor Deneen and
William B. McKinley. Former Speak-
er Cannon will arrive today. Senator
Borah will make the keynote speech.
Predictions pointed to Deneen as the
dominating influence in the earlier
sessions of the convention.

PRESIDENT WILL RECEIVE COLORADO COAL OPERATORS.

Washington, Sept. 18.—The Color-
ado coal operators will be received by
the president next Wednesday to dis-
cuss a tentative basis for a settlement
of the strike.

English and French Plan to Dislodge
Invaders From Aisne Heights; to
Break Through Center; and to Out-
flank Gen. Von Kluck's Forces

GERMANS LOSING 3,200 DAILY; TOTAL OF 44,000 SINCE SEPTEMBER FOURTH

Paris, Sept. 18.—The great battle of the Aisne con-
tinues. Some experts still think the battle is only in-
tended to insure the safety of the crown prince's army.

London, Sept. 18.—A Bordeaux dispatch to the Ex-
change Telegraph Co. states that the battle of the
Aisne continues with great fierceness along the whole
front. It is announced that General Bataille was killed
in action.

Paris, Sept. 18.—The allies have progressed some-
what on the western wing and have repulsed a vigor-
ous German offensive movement, according to an official
announcement.

"Three offensive counter attacks by the Germans
against the British army failed," says the report.

"From Graonne to Rheims we ourselves repulsed
some very violent attacks during the night."

Berlin, Sept. 18.—(Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Offi-
cial statement:

"The battle between the Oise and Meuse rivers is
continuing, but there are sure indications that the
enemy's force is failing."

"The German army is advancing slowly, but surely
"All German airships came up to expectations af-
ter long, dangerous flights. Some were damaged, but
now all are repaired. None were destroyed or cap-
tured by the enemy."

London, Sept. 18.—As has been the case heretofore
when the struggle along the vast battle line in France
has been most acute, the public in Germany, France
and England has been forced to content itself with the
most meagre news of the progress of military opera-
tions.

Experience has shown that extended statements are
issued only after the retirement or the temporary de-
feat of one army or the other.

Information this morning sets forth laconically that
the battle is raging with great fierceness along the
whole front, which extends, roughly speaking, from
the River Oise near Noyon to the German fortress of
Metz.

Barring a slight retirement of the German right
wing at certain points, no decided advantage is cred-
ited to either side.

PLANS OF ALLIES.

Presumably the efforts of the allies have been divid-
ed into three supreme struggles—to dislodge the Ger-
mans from the heights of the Aisne; to break through
the fourth and fifth German armies at the center; and
to outflank the German right under General Von
Kluck.

The London press today dwells upon the possibility
that the Germans are striving only to hold the strong
positions they have assumed with the view of keeping
the allies at bay, thus affording Emperor William an
opportunity to rush more troops to the eastern fron-
tier. On the other hand it would be no surprise if the
Germans, now reinforced, should attempt another ag-
gressive movement similar to the one the allies inaug-
urated successfully after the invaders had exhausted
themselves in an avalanche-like rush toward Paris.

ENORMOUS LOSSES.

The German losses are estimated here as 3,200 daily
for the last fortnight. This totals more than 44,000
since September 4.

As the losses of the allies are known to have been
tremendous, and adding the terrible losses of the Aus-
trians in Galicia, some idea may be gained of the ex-